

Don't burn your
woody yard
debris, take it
to the FREE.....

- Woody yard material is accepted—including tree limbs and brush under 15" in diameter.
- We CANNOT accept roots, stumps, lumber, fence posts, nails, dirt, or any loose material (cones, leaves, needles, grass, etc).
- Sorry, chips are not available to the public.

**For more information,
call 1-800-527-3305
menu option 1-1-1**

M-F, 8 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Mobile Chip & Grind

2003 Schedule
Sundays, 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

Thurston County Fairgrounds

Waldrick Road Gravel Pit

March 2	March 16
April 6	April 27
May 4	May 18
June 1	June 22
September 7	September 21
October 5	October 19

Directions:

Thurston County Fairgrounds—From Martin Way, turn south on Carpenter Road. Take the Long Lake Park entrance, then right into the lower fairgrounds parking lot.

Waldrick Gravel Pit—From Highway 99 south, turn east onto Waldrick Road.

This free program is for Thurston County residents only. Woody material will be chipped and used in a responsible manner. This service is brought to you by the Washington Department of Natural Resources, Thurston County Solid Waste Program and a grant from the USDA Forest Service through the National Fire Plan.

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Become Firewise with the FREE Mobile Chip and Grind!

Could your home survive a wildfire?

Many homes are destroyed by wildland fires each year. Often, these homes could have survived had the owners taken preventative action beforehand. Don't let your home become part of the fuel of a wildfire! Follow these fire prevention tips and become "Firewise."



Firewise Landscaping

- Firewise landscaping can create a line of defense against the threat of wildfire by creating a safety zone or "survivable space" around your home.
- The goal is to break the chain of flammable fuel between your home and the wildland. Examine the yard. What can catch fire and carry it to the house? Do firefighters have a safety zone for battling the flames? Are you sure firefighters can safely find and reach your home?
- You can landscape for fire protection while maintaining a natural look to your surroundings. Work with the plants native to the site, using the patterns found in nature. Also consider hardiness zones and planting sites when choosing new plants.
- No plants are fireproof, but some are more fire resistant than others. Use these considerations when choosing plants and trees for your yard.
- Group together plants with similar water needs, and space them in your landscape to create a "fuel mosaic" that will conserve water and protect against "fire ladder." (A fire ladder is created when plants are arranged next to each other in a way that allows flames to move from the ground up into taller vegetation, where it is more difficult to stop.)
- Once a firewise landscape has been installed, it must be regularly watered and maintained to preserve its fire resistance.

The Firewise Home

1. Maintain a survivable space around the house. A large green lawn is ideal.
2. Build roofs and exteriors of fire-resistant materials.
3. Put screen over the chimneys and stove pipe. Clean chimneys and stove pipes; check their screens
4. Remove overhanging tree limbs, moss, and needles from the roof and gutters.
5. Build home on most level portion of the lot.
6. Remove highly flammable plants from around the house, especially on the side most exposed to prevailing winds, and on the downhill slope.
7. Stack firewood away from the house.
8. Keep storage areas clean and tidy. Never allow rags or newspapers to accumulate. Store flammable liquids in approved containers.

For more information:

Central Region – Department of Natural Resources
1-800-527-3305 (press menu options 1-1-1)

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